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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

21 CFR Part 73

[Docket Nos. FDA-2014-C-1616 and FDA-2015-C-0245]

Listing of Color Additives Exempt From Certification; Mica-Based Pearlescent Pigments;

Confirmation of Effective Date

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Final rule; confirmation of effective date.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or we) is confirming the effective date of July 9, 2015, for the final rule that appeared in the <u>Federal Register</u> of June 8, 2015, and that amended the color additive regulations to expand the permitted uses of mica-based pearlescent pigments prepared from titanium dioxide and mica as color additives in cordials, liqueurs, flavored alcoholic malt beverages, wine coolers, cocktails, non-alcoholic cocktail mixers and mixes, and in egg decorating kits for coloring shell eggs.

DATES: Effective date of final rule published in the <u>Federal Register</u> of June 8, 2015 (80 FR 32303), confirmed: July 9, 2015.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the Federal Register of June 8, 2015 (80 FR 32303),

we amended the color additive regulations in § 73.350 Mica-based pearlescent pigments (21

CFR 73.350) to expand the permitted uses of mica-based pearlescent pigments prepared from

titanium dioxide and mica as color additives in cordials, liqueurs, flavored alcoholic malt

beverages, wine coolers, cocktails, non-alcoholic cocktail mixers and mixes, and in egg

decorating kits for coloring shell eggs.

We gave interested persons until July 8, 2015, to file objections or requests for a hearing.

We received no objections or requests for a hearing on the final rule. Therefore, we find that the

effective date of the final rule that published in the Federal Register of June 8, 2015, should be

confirmed.

List of Subjects in 21 CFR Part 73

Color additives, Cosmetics, Drugs, Foods, Medical devices.

Therefore, under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 321, 341, 342,

343, 348, 351, 352, 355, 361, 362, 371, 379e) and under authority delegated to the

Commissioner of Food and Drugs, and redelegated to the Director, Office of Food Additive

Safety, we are giving notice that no objections or requests for a hearing were filed in response to

the June 8, 2015, final rule. Accordingly, the amendments issued thereby became effective July

9, 2015.

Dated: July 29, 2015.

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Director,

Office of Regulations, Policy and Social Sciences,

Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition.

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